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"Long may it wave o'er the land of the Free and the Home of the Brave."

PROTECTION

The recent Alma tragedy probably could not have been averted even had the city swarmed with police, but it has brought home to the residents of the city the fact that Alma is no longer a small struggling hamlet, where one or two men are able to do the policing for the community.

It has brought forth in startling fashion the need that Alma has for police protection. Such an act as took place a week ago Tuesday, could take place on almost any of the streets of the city at night, when only one lone officer is on duty.

Not that he is inefficient—far from it. Oscar Vibber has been tried and found a highly efficient man, but to ask him to take in his charge the entire policing of Alma during the night, to take charge of the lights of the city, to traverse the streets and alleys of the business section and see that front and back doors of business places are locked, is really too much to expect of one man. He cannot be everywhere at the same time, which only goes to show that Alma is inefficiently protected.

Alma so far has had two officers during the day. They have so far proven about all that the city needs, because Alma has been lucky in escaping from crime. But that does not mean that the city is even protected during the hours of day light. She needs more, police protection. She is growing, strangers are coming within her gates, and with them without a doubt are coming some whom it would take little to incite to crime. Proper policing seems to be the only remedy for this city.

The city council has already started such action. May it be continued until Alma is properly policed.

HOUSE CLEANING

Through the demand for a warrant for Inez Johnston, Marcus Pollasky's request for a justice court grand jury, and the ready consent of Prosecutor Ora L. Smith of this county, Alma bids fair to have a genuine house cleaning which will be long remembered, and which will cease to put a premium on loose morals here.

Marcus simply touched a match to the candle, in this case Prosecutor Ora L. Smith, and the moths are apparently being burned, as the investigation gains headway. Prosecutor Smith has given his word that he is going through with the investigation to a finish, and the way things are turning up under the glare of the search light, he is doing just that thing, and making himself a man feared by the wrong doers of the county, and gaining praise from those who wish a clean, clear cut community in going to live.

The cleanup is going on to a finish, and those mixed in it will suffer if the proper evidence can be secured. Law's violations must cease, and they will cease with Prosecutor Smith at the helm of the investigation. No strings are tied to this official. He seeks no further honors, but simply a knowledge that he has done his best. Whether or not he secures the much hoped for results of the clean up crusade Gratiot and particularly Alma owes thanks to him, and to Mr. Pollasky who first brought up the proposition.

NEW MANAGER

The Wright House Has a New Manager.

C. W. Martin of Holland, Mich., has been secured as the new manager of the Wright House in this city, and he is now here and has taken charge of his new work.

Mr. Martin has been in the hotel business for years and is regarded as one of the leading hotel men of the state. He is familiar with every requirement of the business. Mrs. Brainerley is fortunate in securing such a capable man for manager of the Wright House.

Mrs. Martin came to Alma with her husband from Holland.

NEW LAND COMPANY.

A new land company, to be known as the Senie Land Co. was formed yesterday with the following officers: President, Henry Soule; vice-president, E. H. Doane; secretary, Fred Slater; treasurer, Otto Sanderhoff. Arthur Humber is also a member of the firm. The company will market a new subdivision which will be announced later.

Beware the "Rays of Death." See "The Fatal Ring." Idlehour, Friday, September 21.—Adv.

ANNUAL MEETING

Stockholders Voted to Sell 21,000 Shares of Treasury Stock.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Republic Motor Truck Company, Incorporated, was held in New York City last Saturday, at which time directors were elected and other important matters were taken up.

The same board of directors as held sway last year was re-elected by the stockholders of the company. Following this the directors elected the following officers for the company: President, Frank W. Ruggies of Alma; vice-presidents, M. A. Holmes of Alma, Lafayette Markle of Alma and T. A. Burt of Urbana, Illinois; secretary, Charles G. Rhodes of Alma and treasurer, George W. Moore of Alma.

The stockholders of the company took a most important action which promises much for the future of the company. The stockholders of the company authorized the selling of 21,000 shares of common stock held in the treasury of the company.

This is to be sold to the stockholders of record, August 28th, at a fixed price of \$55.00 per share, and any stock which is not sold in this manner has been taken by bankers.

It is expected that the stock for the greater part will be sold to the stockholders of the company at a basis of one share for each three shares of common stock which they own. It is expected that the company will realize about a million and a quarter dollars which it will use in the further extension of its business.

SAGINAW FAIR

Annual Fair of Saginaw County Only Two Weeks Away

The annual Saginaw County Fair will be held this year September 25, 26, 27, 28 and 29, and there is every indication that the fair this year will exceed any held in the past, in point of attractions, every effort having been banded to secure the best possible for the fair this year.

The entries at the fair promise to be very heavy in all departments and many of them are already in. It is expected that there will be from three to four hundred head of high class cattle on display, and that the sheep, swine and poultry departments will be equally representative. The kennel show is expected to be one of the best in the state.

There will be a number of state exhibits at the fair, including those of the Michigan State Prison, State Live Stock and Sanitary commission, State Dairy and Food commission and the Michigan Employment Institution of the Blind.

There will be plenty of good races for the race lovers, both horse and automobile races. Joe Dawson, holder of the world's twenty-four hour endurance race will be one of the features at the fair.

Patriotic day will be observed the last day of the fair, Saturday, September 29th, when there will be sports, drills, contests and parades. Governor Sleeper of Michigan, will give an address on this day.

GOOD FAIR

Many Unusual Features for West Michigan State Fair

In keeping with Governor Albert E. Sleeper's proclamation requesting that the Michigan fairs set aside certain days for patriotic celebrations, the West Michigan State Fair September 17-21 will offer one of the biggest patriotic spectacles ever staged in the middle west. The spectacle will be in the nature of a pageant and has been appropriately named, "The March of the Allies."

The battle scenes of Europe will be cleverly depicted, by detachments of troops representing the various branch of service engaged in the world war. The British tanks which have horrified the German armies will crawl over the miniature battle field at the fair and Ruth Law and a corps of prominent war aviators will swoop over the allied lines to gain first hand information regarding Teutonic activities. Ruth Law is the only woman aviator who has been permitted to fly over the allied lines and she will be able to show fair visitors how the air maneuvers are conducted better than any other aviator in America today. Soon after her engagement at the West Michigan State Fair she will again join the American aviators in France.

RESIGNS POSITION

Alderman F. L. McConkey, now well into the second year of his second term as an alderman of the first ward, handed his resignation to the council Tuesday night, to take effect at once, as he is leaving the city. The resignation was accepted. Rumor has it that another resignation will soon be tendered to the council, as one of the other councilmen expects to move.

AUCTION SALE

Charles Medler, living four and three-fourths miles west of Alma or one-half mile south and three-fourths mile west of Elwell, will hold a public auction at his farm at 1:00 p. m., Saturday, Sept. 15th, of his stock of farm tools, implements, grain, hay, horses and cattle. The terms of the sale will be announced on the ground. J. D. Helman, auctioneer.

People Speak Well of Chamberlain's Tablets.

"I have been selling Chamberlain's Tablets for about two years and have heard such good reports from my customers that I concluded to give them a trial myself, and can say that I do not believe there is another preparation of the kind equal to them," writes G. A. McBride, Headford, Ont. If you are troubled with indigestion or constipation give them a trial. They will do you good.

Coming—Douglas Fairbanks in "In Again, Out Again."—Idlehour.—Adv.

DAVIS DISTRICT

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Sawyer of Alma visited at Orin Fletcher's Sunday.

S. Withersell and mother left last week for a few days' visit with relatives in Lansing.

Marceline Brooks returned Sunday from a two weeks' visit with relatives in Clinton county.

Mrs. Elva Baxter entertained friends from Lansing the latter part of the week.

Will Beard and family of Bethany is spending the week with their parents.

Mrs. Elizabeth Clark returned to Rockford Tuesday after visiting her sister, Mrs. C. Neidhardt.

ADVERTISED LETTERS

Alma, Mich., Sept. 10, 1917.
Advertised for the week ending Sept. 10, 1917.

Geo. Bison
Miss Julia Bushner
Mrs. J. E. Barber
Mrs. Bob Campbell
John Churchill
Mr. Wm. Colburn
Mr. John F. Cooper
Mr. Will Cox
Miss Flossie Campbell
Mr. Van Coble
John F. Fogarty
Mr. Fred Hancock
Mr. Bryan Hinman
Howard Hardman
H. C. Haffa
Mr. Albert La Grow
Mrs. Raymond Lesman
Mrs. Chas. Mockridge
Mr. Walter Oswald
Mr. U. L. Perry
Mr. J. C. Spencer
Mr. Clarence Smith
Mrs. Martha Wood
Mr. Leon Mestler

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V. P. Cash, Postmaster.

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Coming soon—"Fatty" Arbuckle in his latest picture "His Wedding Night."—Adv.

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

St. Louis, Michigan,

Sept. 4th, 1917.

We, the Alma Standard Foundry Manufacturing Company, a corporation in the State of Michigan, do hereby notify the public and all dealers, that we have sold our entire foundry and business, located at St. Louis, Michigan, to the Gratiot Foundry Company, a new corporation in the State of Michigan.

We do hereby request that if there be any unpaid bills or claims against us, that they be presented not later than October 1st, 1917.

Alma Standard Foundry Manufacturing Company,

By, R. F. Wachulae, Sec'y and Treas.

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